UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



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Office of the Chief Privacy Officer

June 23, 2017

Mr. Austin R. Evers American Oversight 1030 15th Street NW Suite B255 Washington, DC 20005 foia@americanoversight.org

RE: FOIA Request No. 17-01798-F

Dear Mr. Evers:

This letter is a final response to your letter dated March 22, 2017 requesting information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552. Your request has been assigned to the appropriate office within the Department to search for responsive records. You requested

-All records responsive to the OGE data call sent on April 28, 2017, attached hereto as Exhibit A. American Oversight seeks the production of those records regardless of whether or not they have been—or will be—provided to OGE.

-If, at the time of your search, your agency has made a determination not to comply with the OGE data call, whether in whole or in part, American Oversight seeks all records reflecting the basis for the decision not to comply with the data call. Please include as responsive any records reflecting any legal or policy basis for not complying with the data call as well as any records reflecting any guidance, direction, or instruction received by DOeD regarding compliance with the data call.

Enclosed is an e-mail containing 2 pages of documents responsive to your request. For your information, the documents are fully releasable without redactions. The documents provided are:

• 17-01798-F-Ethics Documents

The Department has concluded that you fall within the category of an All Other requester. These responsive documents have been provided to you at no cost. The release of information at no cost does not constitute the grant of a fee waiver, and does not infer or imply that you will be granted a fee waiver for future requests made under FOIA to the Department.



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You have the right to seek further assistance from the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, Robert Wehausen. The Department's FOIA Public Liaison can be reached by e-mail at robert.wehausen@ed.gov; by phone at 202-205-0733; by fax at 202-401-0920; or by mail at Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, LBJ 2E321, Washington, DC 20202-4536, Attn: FOIA Public Liaison.

If you have any questions, please contact the FSC at (202) 401-8365 or EDFOIAManager@ed.gov.

Sincerely,

Christie D. Swafford

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Government Information Specialist, OM/OCPO

Enclosures

Goodridge, Marcella

From: Goodridge, Marcella

Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 3:11 PM

To: Cheryl L. Kane-Piasecki (clkanepi@oge.gov)
Cc: Wallace, Taronda (taronda.wallace@ed.gov)

Subject: RE: IMPORTANT Reminder to submit responses to PA-17-02: Data Call for Certain

Waivers and Authorizations

Good afternoon Cheryl.

I hope this message finds you well.

I am writing in response to the data call outlined in PA-17-02 and noted below. The U.S. Department of Education does not possess any waivers issued or approved under Executive Order 13770, Executive Order 13490, 18 U.S.C. § 208(b)(1) or 5 C.F.R. § 2635.503(c) for any covered persons for the period May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017. Neither does the U.S. Department of Education possess any authorizations issued or approved under 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d) for any covered persons for the same time period.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Marcella Goodridge-Keiller Assistant General Counsel Office of the General Counsel/Ethics U.S. Department of Education (202) 401-8309

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Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 4:31 PM
To: OGE-ETHICSINFO@LISTSERV.GSA.GOV

Subject: IMPORTANT Reminder to submit responses to PA-17-02: Data Call for Certain Waivers and Authorizations

This is a reminder that the deadline for submitting your agency's response, including negative responses, to <u>PA-17-02</u> is June 1st, except as specified in the advisory. Documents are to be submitted in Portable Document Format (PDF) through the Designated Agency Ethics Official (DAEO) or the DAEO's designed for each agency to the agency's assigned OGE Desk Officer.

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